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Rao Bahadur C. S. RATNASABHAPATI MUDALIYAR:—"May I know if all the 27 members have approached the Minister personally or a Member of this Council Mr. A. Kaleswara Rao approached the Minister?"

The hon, Dr. P. Subbarayan:—"1 have no recollection of this matter as it happened so long ago."

Rao Bahadur C. S. Ratnasabhapati Mudaliyar:—"Was there any occasion to publish a list of corrections to the list of these 27 names?"

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan:—"I believe the hon. Member is as well aware of it as I am."

Construction of a bridge over the Keesara river, Kistna district.

- \*1307 Q.—Mr. A. Kaleswara Rao: Will the hon, the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—
- (a) whether there is a proposal to construct a bridge over the Keesara river, Kistna district; and
  - (b) if so, in what stage it is?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) Preliminary estimates for Rs. 6.8 lakhs have been approved by the Chief Engineer. The question of the provision of funds is under consideration in connexion with the Budget for 1928-29.

## Municipal Councils

Nomination of minority communities to Mangalore Municipal Council.

\*1308 Q.—Mr. C. GOPALA MENON: Will the hon, the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether a member belonging to a community which is already represented by two elected members in the Municipal Council, Mangalore, has been recently nominated to the Municipal Council;

(b) whether the person nominated had already served on the Municipal

Council as a nominated member for two terms;

(c) whether there is a rule to the effect that no person should be nominated for more than one term except for special reasons and that in no case should a person be nominated for more than two terms; and

(d) whether there are minority communities such as the Billavas who

have no representation at all on the Municipal Council?

- A.—(a) The hon. Member apparently refers to the appointment of M.R.Ry. Rao Sahib B. Mahabala Hegde. If so, there is only one other member of his community on the council.
  - (b) Yes
  - (c) There is no rule. Instructions have been issued to Collectors that when it is proposed to re-appoint persons who have already served on a council for six years, they should state the special circumstances which render continuance in office desirable.
  - (d) According to the latest list Billavas are not at present represented on the council.